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November 7, 2012

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
Director and Health Officer

**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT
THREE AMENDMENTS TO NOTICE OF AWARD NUMBER
5U52PS900455-31 REVISED FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE
CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR TUBERCULOSIS ELIMINATION AND
LABORATORY SERVICES**

This is to notify you that I am exercising delegated authority approved by your Board on May 11, 2010, to accept and execute future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of Notice of Award (NA) Number 2U52PS900455-29 that allow for the rollover of any unspent grant funds, and/or provide for an increase or decrease in funding up to 25 percent above each year's base award, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office (CEO), and notification to your Board.

On January 25, 2012, I notified your Board that I was accepting NA Number 5U52PS900455-31, in the amount of \$3,667,143, representing 75 percent of the total anticipated award of \$4,889,524 for calendar year (CY) 2012, at no net County cost, to support the continuation of tuberculosis (TB) elimination and laboratory services provided by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

On June 4, 2012, I notified your Board that I was accepting NA Number 5U52PS900455-31 Revised (Amendment 1), approving DPH's February 6, 2012 carryover request to: 1) carryover unobligated funds in the amount of \$85,000 from CY 2010 to CY 2012; and 2) reclassify a budgeted personnel item from an Epidemiologist to a Supervising Epidemiologist. The \$85,000 supported the reconfiguration of office space including patching and painting of office walls, replacement of worn or damaged materials, and purchase of modular office furniture.

Under the delegated authority referenced above, I will accept:

- NA Number 5U52PS900455-31 Revised (Amendment 2), issued July 13, 2012, in the amount of \$1,040,592, which reflects the balance of the CY 2012 award and consists of \$830,027 in new funds and \$210,565 of unobligated dollars to support the continuation of TB laboratory services provided by DPH.

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- NA Number 5U52PS900455-31 Revised (Amendment 3), issued September 10, 2012, approving DPH's May 30, 2012 carryover request to carryover unobligated funds in the amount of \$111,900 from CY 2011 to CY 2012 to acquire equipment and supplies for the Public Health Laboratory (PHL).
- NA Number 5U52PS900455-31 Revised (Amendment 4), issued September 21, 2012, in the amount of \$115,245 to support prevention and control activities (\$107,440) and TB laboratory services (\$7,805). Upon acceptance of these NAs, the total funding available for CY 2012 is \$5,019,880.

The acceptance of Amendments 2, 3 and 4 will increase the capacity of the PHL to deliver TB culture and sensitivity testing services, on the Bactec MGIT 960 platform and on the CO₂ Incubation platform, to the Department of Health Services (DHS) facilities from which additional specimens will be received. The additional funds also increase the capacity of the PHL to deliver high-throughput QuantiFERON testing for detection of latent TB.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the NAs as to form. County Counsel and the CEO have reviewed and approved this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors